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Toxic Substances  
Control

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the Department of  
Toxic Substances  
Control is to  
provide the highest  
level of safety and  
to protect public  
health and the  
environment from  
toxic harm.*



State of California



California  
Environmental  
Protection Agency

## Draft Post-Closure Permit for Dow Chemical Company Available for Public Review and Comment



*Monofill Landfill looking southwest*

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on a Draft Post-Closure Permit (Permit) application for Dow Chemical Company (Dow) located at 901 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg. The issuance of the Post-Closure Permit is for the Monofill Landfill located on the Dow property. Dow is an existing facility and the permit will require the facility to continue to maintain the Monofill Landfill.

DTSC regulates the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous waste in California. A Permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at facilities. Permits are prepared after DTSC's detailed technical review, and are intended to ensure that facilities operate in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

In addition to the Draft Post-Closure Permit, DTSC proposes a Notice of Exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act.

### Public Comment Period

October 24, 2007 through December 7, 2007

We invite you to review and submit comments on the Draft Post-Closure Permit Renewal for Dow Chemical Company. A 45-day comment period will begin on October 24 and end on December 7 2007. Copies of the draft documents can be viewed at the information repositories listed on page 3 of this fact sheet. Written and e-mailed comments must be postmarked by December 7, 2007 and sent to:

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Sacramento, California 95826

Please e-mail comments to: [Pbailey@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Pbailey@dtsc.ca.gov)

A public meeting or hearing is not scheduled for this project; however, if you feel one is warranted you can request a meeting or hearing by contacting Ms. Kim Rhodes, Public Participation Specialist, toll-free at 866-495-5651 or 916-255-3651 or by e-mail to [Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov). In your request please indicate the reason(s) for the request and DTSC will evaluate if a meeting is warranted.



## Facility Description and History

Dow consists of an industrial section of approximately 450 acres, about half of which is undeveloped. In addition, Dow owns 200 acres of land, which have been restored as wetlands preserve and wildlife habitat, and another 350 acres of open fields to the south and east of the facility. The facility develops and produces products for agricultural operations, pest control services, pulp and paper manufacturers, carpet and flooring mills. The facility is also the location of a bulk chemical storage terminal for the distribution of Dow produced chemicals.



*Monofill and closed central landfill*

## Enforcement History

DTSC inspects Dow Chemical Company on a regular basis to ensure they are in compliance with California laws, regulations, and the Permit conditions. The results of those inspections during the past five years are listed below:

**March 2002:** No violations found

### May 2004:

- Facility failed to inspect the Polychlorinated Biphenyl Waste Drum Storage Area; Dow took immediate action to start inspection of the Polychlorinated Biphenyl Waste Drum Storage Area. No further action required.
- Emergency coordinator in the contingency plan had not been updated; Dow updated the contingency plan and submitted a permit modification for the updated list. No further action required.
- Failed to provide training to employees who handled hazardous waste; Dow trained their employees immediately. No further action required.
- Failed to provide written job description, type and the amount of both introductory and continuing training for the position of Environmental Coordinator; within seven days, Dow Company submitted a permit modification for the job description revision and training courses descriptions. No further action required.

Inspection reports are available for review at DTSC's regional office located at 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, California 95826.

## California Environmental Quality Act

Under the California Environmental Quality Act, DTSC must evaluate whether the Permit may have any significant impacts on human health and the environment. As part of this evaluation, DTSC has proposed a Notice of Exemption which concludes that the Permit will not result in any impact to human health or the environment.

## You can Participate in our Permitting Decisions

DTSC encourages public participation in the decision-making process and invites the public to review and comment on the Permit. Before making a final determination on the Permit, DTSC will review and respond in writing to all public comments. A Response to Comments document will be sent to all those who submitted public comments and to those who request a copy. A copy of the Response to Comments will also be placed in the information repositories.

## Information Repository

To review the draft Post-Closure Permit Renewal and the NOE, please visit the following locations

Pittsburg Library  
80 Power Avenue  
Pittsburg, California 94565  
(925) 427-8390

### Hours:

Monday: 12 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Tuesday through Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Friday: 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

DTSC Regional Records Room  
8800 Cal Center Drive  
Sacramento, California 95826  
Phone: (916) 255-3758  
Contact: File Room – By appointment only.

## DTSC Contacts

Please contact the following individuals with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the draft Post-Closure Permit Renewal.

Questions regarding the Permit Renewal please contact:

Peter Bailey, P.E.  
Project Manager  
(916) 255-3602 or  
by e-mail to [Pbailey@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Pbailey@dtsc.ca.gov)

Questions regarding the Public Participation activities please contact:

Kim Rhodes  
Public Participation Specialist  
916-255-3651 or toll-free 1-866-495-5651  
or by e-mail to [Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov)

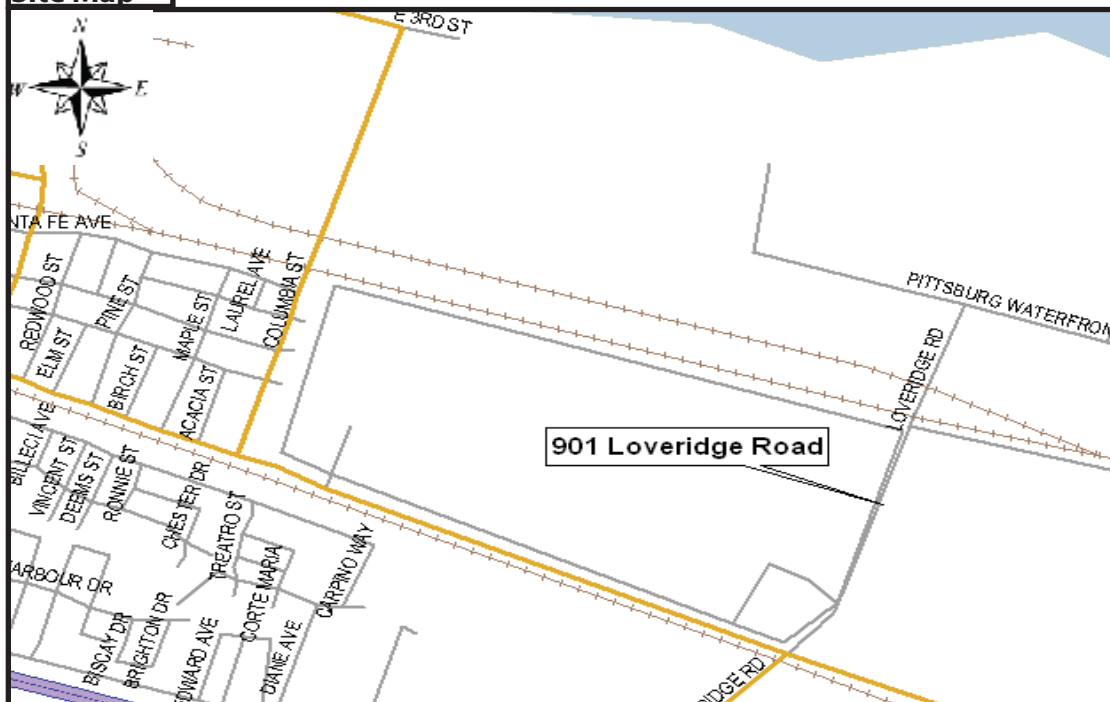
Members of the media please contact:

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Public Information Officer  
818-551-2176 or  
by e-mail to [JGarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:JGarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov)

## Notice to Hearing Impaired Individuals

You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at: 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Kim Rhodes at (916) 255-3651 regarding the proposed Dow Post-Closure Permit.

## Site Map



To review the draft Permit Renewal and draft NOE for the Dow Chemical Company, Inc. please visit our web site: [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov)